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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Support Division, OSA

SUBJECT: Fire and Safety Alarm Systems in
Room 5B26 (5B2817)

1. On 23 May 1964 [redacted] and [redacted] of the Survey Branch, OS, met with a representative of this staff and [redacted] of our Automation Branch, regarding certain problems which are anticipated with the imminent move of additional communication and electronic equipment into subject room. It is my understanding that last year in the interest of expediency certain safety waivers were made in allowing computer machinery in a nonvaulted area without special fire alarm systems. Keeping in mind the very serious fire in the Pentagon recently, which I believe was caused by a similar situation, and with the move of additional equipment to this room, it is felt that we must take some action to comply with the fire and safety regulations.

2. I believe that the required action will include the purchase of a fire alarm system and a change in the present security alarms. Those present at today's impromptu meeting felt that these problems could best be worked out if everyone interested could get together at 10 a.m. on Friday, 5 June, in this office. It would be appreciated if you would attend this meeting along with [redacted] the Agency Safety Officer, a Communications man attached to [redacted] Branch, and [redacted]

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Chief, Security Staff, OSA

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